

Trevor Selch, Chair
Water Pollution Control Advisory Council

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Dear Trevor,

Thank you for attending the legislative review concerning our Advisory Council. I am writing to express both my support for the Council and my gratitude for having had the privilege of serving the WPCAC.

In my experience both as Chair and as a current Member, I have observed the following:

- 1) It's a well balanced group representing disparate sectors of the state, from water polluting industries to clean water advocates;
- 2) Members of the Public who have attended our meetings, advocated for their wishes, and listened to our discussions have told me they appreciate the forum we provide; our meetings are both non-confrontational and informative;
- 3) We've been able to work with small municipalities who are struggling to upgrade infrastructure in the face of newer Water Quality regs;
- 4) Bob Bukantis and the staff at DEQ are extremely well informed and helpful; with Bob's help we are constantly learning about water quality issues affecting Montana, and working to find solutions in areas of conflict;
- 5) I believe that the WPCAC is effective in bringing together Users, Scientists, Regulators, and lay members of the public, and is thus a win-win for Montana.

I hope that the Legislative Council decides to keep us active!

Best Regards,

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